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Long Beach Tax Day **A Variety of Free Financial Services Offered at Houghton Park on March 1**

Individuals, families, and small business owners who earn less than \$50,000 a year and live or work in North Long Beach will want to take advantage of free income tax preparation services and financial advice at Long Beach Tax Day.

"This is a great service for residents and small business owners in the Top of the Town, and I hope everyone takes advantage of it. These professionals have helped folks claim up to \$4,700 that is rightfully theirs through the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), Child Tax Credit, and other programs," said 9th District Councilmember Val Lerch.

The event will be held on Saturday, March 1, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at Houghton Park, 6301 Myrtle Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90805. Please bring your valid ID, Social Security Card and W-2s to the appointment.

The Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network, in partnership Greater Los Angeles EITC Campaign Partnership, Broad Spectrum CDC, HSBC, Washington Mutual, IRS, Community Action Partnership, Goodwill and United Way, provides this free service.

The free assistance includes:

- Prior year return preparation
- Information on low-cost utility programs
- ITIN (Individual Taxpayer Identification Number) application preparation
- Information on free and low-cost financial education and banking services
- Information on free and low-cost medical benefits
- Information on Individual Development Accounts

For more information or to schedule an appointment, visit or call the Center for Working Families at 562.570.4794 / TTY 562.570.4629.

The Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network offers free services
to both businesses and job seekers from Long Beach to San Pedro and Torrance.
For more information about services call 562.570.WORK or visit www.pacificgatewayworkforce.com.

